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TO AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 292845

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, KU

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR P AND A ON STINGER

REF: KUWAIT 5526

1. MAN PORTABLE AIR DEFENSE SYSTEMS (MANPADS) ARE SENSITIVE DUE TO THEIR POTENTIAL FOR USE BY TERRORIST GROUPS. THE USG HAS FOLLOWED A GENERALLY RESTRICTIVE POLICY ON THEIR RELEASE TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

2. STINGER IS STILL IN RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AND HAS NOT RPT NOT BEEN RELEASED TO ANY COUNTRY. REDEYE IS NO LONGER IN PRODUCTION AND U.S. ARMY STOCKS ARE WELL BELOW  
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AUTHORIZED LEVELS. DIVERSION FROM U.S. STOCKS IS THUS

PRACTICALLY IMPOSSIBLE.

3. DEPARTMENT THEREFORE DOES NOT RPT NOT AUTHORIZE SALE  
OF A MANPAD SYSTEM TO KUWAIT. ROBINSON

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